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Comment of the day

CO-OPERATION NEEDED

YESTERDAY, we reported that there were four cases of cholera in the Colony and one suspect. Now there are more suspects. Two people have already died from the disease.

Hongkong had had sufficient warning that there was trouble in the offing as reports coming from Kwangtung and Macao (those in the Portuguese colony were originally denied) seemed to indicate that the situation in South China might be more serious.

It is unfortunate that the Peking authorities have not seen fit to acquaint Hongkong and Macao with the full facts.

Politics are one thing, but a disease, particularly one such as cholera, is another. A measure of co-operation is necessary in medical matters as otherwise there could easily be an epidemic spreading throughout the entire area.

Into action

FORTUNATELY the Hongkong authorities have swung into action and not dithered about and it is gratifying to see that the public have co-operated by heeding the Director of Medical and Health Services' warning.

Dr Mackenzie has said "Do not be anxious—but do be careful." That was before the local cases had been confirmed so that it is now necessary to be more than careful. Every precaution should be taken against spreading the disease and while there is no necessity for alarm at this moment we urge the public to make it their business to take action as soon as possible.

Overcrowded

CLINICS were overcrowded yesterday and undoubtedly the situation will be worse today, but three million of us will have to persevere in the queues as a job like this cannot be completed in a matter of hours. The Medical and Health Services are doing their best and there is a long way to go before all can have their "share."

More clinics are possibly out of the question, but we suggest that the Medical and Health Services have people to organise and direct the queues.

Lessons

YESTERDAY, for example, there were at least 300 people jammed onto the eighth floor of Fung House waiting for inoculations. One lift kept coming up with more people and it was impossible at one stage for anyone to get or out. There is always a first time for everything and there are always lessons to be drawn from them. The experience gained in the first two days of dealing with thousands should stand the authorities in good stead and there are many more days to follow. Once again we urge the public to co-operate with the Medical and Health Services—they are working under abnormal pressure and time may be the element against which they are fighting.

Two deaths: Five cases confirmed: Six suspects HK's FIGHT AGAINST CHOLERA

Giant lines at inoculation centres

Hongkong continued her fight to suppress the outbreak of cholera today with mass inoculations, confiscation of dangerous fruit and foods and stringent health inspections of suspect areas.

The number of anti-cholera injections given at all centres throughout the Colony rose to just under 100,000 yesterday.

Up to 2 pm today there have been altogether six suspected and five confirmed cases, since the outbreak. Of the latter two have died.

The five confirmed cases include an active carrier of the disease who is not ill. The former Chatham-road camp in Kowloon has been opened as a quarantine centre and 12 close contacts have already been admitted there for investigation and observation.

Eight other 'contacts' are shortly going into Chatham-road for investigation and observation. Bacteriological tests on the 48-year-old woman admitted into hospital from the Yuen Long area have shown negative results.

This means that the patient was not suffering from cholera. The total of 100,000 inoculations yesterday does not include inoculations carried out by private practitioners.

Weekend

During the weekend—Saturday afternoon and all day Sunday, all Government general out-patient clinics and maternal and child health centres will be open to give free immunisation to the public.

Inoculations can also be obtained at all Government evening clinics between 6 pm and 11 pm every day, excluding Sunday, until further notice. Thousands thronged to all inoculation centres this morning.

The giant queues outside Tsimshatsui inoculation centre trailed from the neighbourhood of St Andrew's Church along Nathan-road up to a point beyond Hotel Miramar in Kowloon this morning.

"The congestion is worse than yesterday when we inoculated about 2,300," said an officer. Approximately 1,200 people lined up along the street outside

the Queen's-road East health office this morning. At 11.30 am, about 3,000 people queued up outside the Shaukiwan clinic awaiting their injections.

Late work

The Shaukiwan clinic worked late last night—up to 11.30 pm. One nurse alone inoculated about 600 people yesterday. Area officers of the Resettlement Department publicised the urgent need for inoculations among the residents of various resettlement areas.

Many civic organisations entered the war against cholera by securing facilities for inoculations. There include many kaitong associations, private welfare clinics, banks and business firms in the Colony.

Young people and those living on the waterfront congested areas were given priority in inoculations. In the wake of private purchases of anti-cholera vaccine, the prices on the local market have tripled—from \$8 per 40 cc to \$15 yesterday.

Too many

The household disinfectant, potassium permanganate, is reported to have run out of stock in Colony private dispensaries.

In view of the overcrowding, the Fung House Port Health Office inoculation centre has been set aside for inoculating only those travelling out of Hongkong.

Instead, the public is requested to attend the new inoculation centre set up at the unused arm of the Star Ferry pier in Hongkong as from today.

POLICE NAB FOOD AND CUT-FRUIT HAWKERS

The Police are stepping up their campaign to combat the possible spread of cholera in the Colony. Sixteen hawkers have been arrested for selling food and fruit without a licence.

The 16 pleaded guilty before Mr K. A. S. Phillips at Central Court this morning. The majority sold cut fruit such as watermelon and pineapples. They were fined \$30 each. Others were fined \$2 to \$30.

Apart from those charged with selling cut fruit, others were accused of selling shellfish, frozen confectionery (hung dau bung), Chinese jelly (leung fun), Chinese herb tea (leung cha), soya bean curd and cooked bean curd. All cases were prosecuted by Inspector G. D. Carter.

Similarly, the inoculation centre at Kai Tak Airport has been earmarked for air travellers only. Residents living in the neighbourhood are requested to attend the inoculation centres in their own districts.

A report said that about 80,000 cwt of fresh-water fish arrived from China yesterday. The authorities are keeping a close watch on the shipment. Any fish suspected will be dumped in the sea.

Right: Some of the thousands who waited their turn for an inoculation today. This is the queue at Wan-chai.



We're standing firm in Berlin, says Sir Christopher

Berlin, Aug. 17. Sir Christopher Steel, British Ambassador to West Germany, said today that "whatever happens in the East, in West Berlin we are standing firm."

He told a press conference that West Berliners were remaining "extraordinarily calm" in the present difficult situation and added "we in the West must emphasise to show our solidarity with them."

Sir Christopher said it was understandable that the West Berliners were bitter "because they are very much in the front line."

It was possible that what happened on Sunday was only a first move by the East "in a much wider sequence of events." The Ambassador was questioned several times about the time it took for the West to prepare its protest. He replied that Allied consultations always took some time to arrange.

Asked if the West would have done more than protest Sir Christopher said "we could have done a great deal more but it takes time to decide."

Sir Christopher said that in his talks with Mr Willy Brandt, West Berlin's Mayor, this morning he had discussed the "general situation."—Reuters.

SHIP SINKING OFF MANILA

Manila, Aug. 18. An inter-island vessel which earlier today ran aground 125 miles southwest of here, was reported in danger of sinking and its passengers were abandoning the ship.

A distress message received from the ship by RCA Communications, said at 7.11 am today: "Water getting inside hatch number one" of the ship.

The message added the ship was "preparing to transfer passengers on land."

"Come and rescue us," an earlier message intercepted by the Globe Wireless Communications office here.—UPI.

ANY WAY YOU LOOK AT IT

Sydney, Aug. 17. An abstract painting hung upside down won a prize at the Sydney art show today. Judge Hal Missingham, Director of Sydney Art Gallery, said he didn't know the picture was hung the wrong way, adding, "It's a good oil, upside down or right side up."—UPI.

CHILDREN KILLED

Naples, Aug. 17. An artillery shell dug up by children exploded in a town near here today, killing six children and an old woman.—AP.

PAYROLL ROBBERY

London, Aug. 17. Six masked bandits escaped with £10,000 in wages early today after holding up the night staff at a south-west London electric power station.

The gang, using two vans, followed a wages car into the depot, which is run by the London Transport authorities. —China Mail Special.

CHARGE AGAINST SARAH CHURCHILL DROPPED

London, Aug. 17. A drunk and disorderly charge against actress Sarah Churchill, daughter of Sir Winston, was dropped today in Bow Street Court.

After seven arrests on the same charge in the past two years, Miss Churchill agreed three weeks ago to take a cure. Inspector James Reekie told the court that she was out of the hospital last night on a pass when she was arrested. Insp. Reekie said a doctor after an examination recommended her return to the hospital, and Magistrate Sir Robert Blundell granted the Inspector's request to withdraw the charge.—AP.

McEwen flays the Common Market

Canberra, Aug. 17.

Mr J. McEwen, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Trade, today assailed the European Common Market as a "threat to the right of other countries to live and grow in a prosperous free world."

Speaking in Parliament during a debate on Britain's request to join the market, Mr McEwen charged that the Common Market was "against the principles of the Atlantic charter" and represented the "most gigantic obstacle to international trading in world history by creating a towering tariff barrier around

300 million people of Europe to keep out the rest of the trading world." McEwen said the problems of Britain's entry into the Common Market were not a matter to be solved by the United Kingdom and Australia alone. He appealed to the United States to "take an interest in this situation."

Mr McEwen said Australia "is not going to be brushed off by the trade policies on the part of the industrialised countries which cripple her markets for such an important part of her exports and which strangle her development and frustrate the plans for her economic growth."—UPI.

KENYA'S PRESS CHIEF TO STAND TRIAL

Nairobi, Aug. 17.

Mr Alastair Matheson, the Kenya Government's chief press officer, was today committed for trial in the Supreme Court on six charges under the Official Secrets Act.

At the end of the preliminary inquiry, the Senior Resident Magistrate, Mr Trevelyan, said he considered that the evidence there was sufficient grounds for commitment on all six charges. Matheson faces charges on

six counts of not taking reasonable care of government documents in his possession. Today's decision to commit him for trial came after a three-day preliminary hearing.

After being formally charged, Matheson said he would reserve his defence. The Magistrate then reduced Mr Matheson's bond from £1,000 to £100, but ordered his passport should remain surrendered.—Reuters.

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(buyer) \$1.31 (seller).
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cents (buyer) \$1 (seller).

UK build-up in Germany

17/21 LANCERS IN HK WILL MOVE TO M-E

London, Aug. 17.

Britain is soon to make "a limited reinforcement" of her Javelin all-weather fighter strength in West Germany, the Air Ministry announced today.

It has also been decided not to withdraw three fighter squadrons which NATO had earlier been told would be withdrawn.

An Air Ministry spokesman declined to comment on the reason for the reinforcement or disclose Britain's present fighter strength in West Germany.

The two Air Force decisions were interpreted here as first moves in a greater build-up of British forces in Germany as a result of the Berlin crisis.

Side by side with France's decision to strengthen her air and ground forces in Germany and France because of tension arising from moves taken in East Berlin came a British War Office announcement that the Third Carabiniers, formerly the Third Dragoon Guards, who are equipped with Centurion tanks, would be returning to Britain from the Middle East.

They were sent there for the Kuwait emergency, and will now be relieved by some of the personnel of the 17/21 Lancers from Hongkong.

A Ministry of Defence spokesman said the return of the Third Carabiniers would be the initial move to build up a strategic reserve division in Britain.

This would be available for the reinforcement of British forces in Germany if required.

Stiffer

The strategic reserve division, when complete, will consist of some 12,500 men. It is likely to be concentrated in one command in the United Kingdom and is planned to be up to strength by the late autumn, probably earlier if there should be a worsening in the Berlin situation.

Previously, the strategic reserve in Britain consisted of a number of lightly-equipped brigades capable of quick deployment by air in any emergency. The new division will be entirely different, it will be fully equipped with armour, backed by infantry.

Meanwhile, Reuter reports from Berlin say contacts at East Berlin's Central Friedrichstrasse Station appeared stiffer today than at any time since East Germany slammed down new border controls early last Sunday.

Even passengers with foreign passports had to pass through customs before being allowed out of the station, where reporters counted at least 40 black-uniformed railway police and the same number of blue-uniformed customs men this afternoon.

Friedrichstrasse has been, since Sunday, the only station of the entire network of electric railways in Berlin through which passengers can travel to or from East Berlin.

West Berliners have to show their identity papers to railway police and are sometimes

questioned and occasionally turned back when deemed to be "agitators" but the vast majority come through without difficulty. In the restricted sector there are no through trains beyond Friedrichstrasse, which is the first station inside the eastern sector, as all trains from and to West Berlin stop and start there. Passengers for other East Berlin destinations have to change there.

Trains from Friedrichstrasse to West Berlin are under stringent control—police have set up wooden barriers in the middle of the station—and only West Berliners, West Germans, foreigners, and very occasionally East Berliners with special permission are let through.—Reuter.

E. GERMANS DETAIN BRITISH ARMY PATROL

Berlin, Aug. 17.

Armed East Germans today detained a British Army patrol for three hours in West Berlin's border area, in the first brush between Allied and Communist forces since Sunday's moves to seal off East Berlin.

A British Army announcement said the incident occurred where the border line is not clearly marked. Military Police on a routine patrol "were taken off by the East Germans, questioned and released unharmed about three hours later."

ENCLAVE

Usually reliable sources said the patrol was making an inspection tour in the north of the British sector and was on its way to a British enclave in a wooded area near Spandau. When arrested the men asked for a Russian officer, but none came, and after questioning they were freed.

British troops at dawn today put barbed wire barricades round the Soviet War Memorial in West Berlin—a focal point of anti-Communist demonstrations at the Brandenburg Gate.

Army sources said two Russian officers came across after the Memorial was barricaded and asked the move had been ordered by General Sir Robert Delacombe, the British Commandant.

The Russians replied it should not have been done without prior consultations with the Soviet military authorities.—Reuter.

Earl, Countess of Dalkeith hurt in motor crash

London, Aug. 17.

The Earl and Countess of Dalkeith, who sustained minor injuries in a car crash near Woking last night, were said today to be "satisfactory" after spending the night in hospital.

Lady Dalkeith is the former Miss Jane McNeill, daughter of Mr John McNeill, a Hongkong Queen's Counsel who has now retired.

A hospital spokesman said both had grazes and bruises. Lord and Lady Dalkeith, who were both wearing safety belts, were injured when their Jaguar was involved in a collision with a small bus.

The driver was seriously hurt and his three passengers received superficial injuries. The 37-year-old Earl of Dalkeith, one-time close friend and escort of Princess Mar-



LADY DALKEITH

garot, is Conservative Member of Parliament for an Edinburgh constituency. Lord and Lady Dalkeith left hospital shortly after lunch in a chauffeur-driven Bentley.—China Mail Special.

Mac's daughter slightly hurt in bullring

Madrid, Aug. 17.

Mrs Catherine Amery, daughter of Prime Minister Harold Macmillan, and an 11-year-old English boy were slightly injured today when part of a portable wooden bullring collapsed at Jimena de la Frontera, about 30 miles from Gibraltar, killing two people and injuring 200.

Mrs Amery's husband, the Air Minister Mr Julian Amery, escaped unhurt.

Mrs Amery was able to leave hospital at Algeciras near Gibraltar after receiving treatment for a slight leg injury.

Many tourists were among 4,000 people watching the bullfight when part of the ring collapsed. While troops, police and Red Cross workers extricated the victims, bullfighters immediately killed the bull to prevent it attacking fleeing spectators.—Reuter.

SOVIET'S DEFECTION —2 YEARS THOUGHT

Ottawa, Aug. 17.

Canadian Prime Minister Mr John Diefenbaker said today that a decision by Russian scientist Dr Mikhail Antonovich Klotchko to defect was the result of two years of thought, and not a hasty one.

Justice Minister Mr Edmund Davie Fulton, said the Russian scientist sought asylum in Canada because "there was no intellectual or scientific freedom in Russia."

Following a Cabinet meeting, Mr Fulton quoted Dr Klotchko as saying "everything is done subject to direction" in Russia and he wanted freedom to pursue his work.

Mr Diefenbaker, who followed Mr Fulton from the Cabinet council room, declined to give any more details of Dr Klotchko's defection, but said that it had been planned for some time.

Clear

"He made it clear his defection was determined upon two years ago, and was not based on a recent change of mind," Mr Diefenbaker said.

The Justice Minister, responsible for the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, which has given Dr Klotchko protection, said the scientist was an important figure, but Mr Fulton dismissed suggestions that he

brought important military secrets with him to the West. "He is a specialist in inorganic chemistry. We do not think we have our hands on some hot security or defence matter, or anything like that."

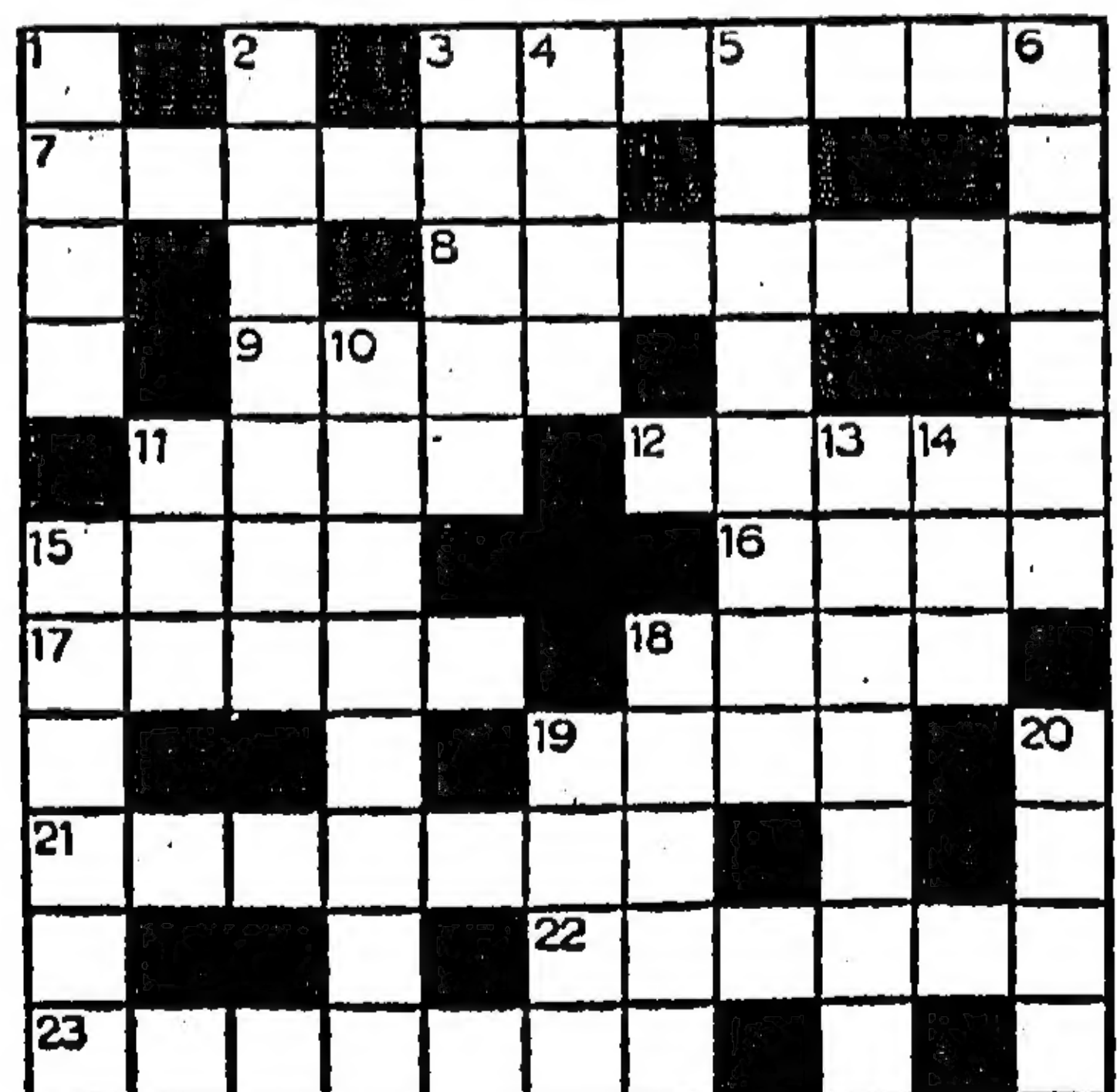
Too early

Mr Fulton said it was too early to say whether Dr Klotchko would be given a job in government laboratories, or would be hired by private industry.

Mr Fulton said he believed that Dr Klotchko's attendance at the 18th International Congress of Theoretical and Applied Chemistry in Montreal last week was his first visit outside the iron curtain since his decision to seek freedom two years ago.

In his interview with Russian Embassy authorities on Wednesday night and in his statements to the RCMP, Dr Klotchko emphasised that as a scientist he was not criticising the technical competence of Russian science, Mr Fulton said.—AP.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 3 Visitors who shout?
- 7 Weight of a fowl?
- 8 Holiday resort.
- 9 Nudge.
- 11 Bird.
- 12 Shield.
- 15 Forward.
- 16 Study.
- 17 Breaks.
- 18 Ombles.
- 19 Don't show the skin?
- 21 Fettered.
- 22 Clergyman.
- 23 Weapons.

DOWN

- 1 Musical instrument.
- 2 Under-cover meal.
- 3 Name of a song.
- 4 Among.
- 5 Dressed.
- 6 Was merciful.
- 10 Flustering.
- 11 It's driven off!
- 13 Abhors.
- 14 Nutter.
- 15 Valued.
- 16 Remains.
- 19 Not Mr English!
- 20 Is often in jug!

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 1 Sparkling, 8 Walrus, 10 Stool, 12 Mad, 13 Fern, 14 Then, 15 Denies, 16 Deeds, 18 Moral, 20 Lie, 22 Old, 24 Pot, 24 Ruse, 26 Innings, 28 Consisted, 29 Prime, 30 Head, 4 Lashed, 5 Naught, 6 Two-timers, 7 Plastered, 9 Vendor, 11 Tension, 16 Day, 17 Elders, 19 Rondo, 21 Slakes, 23 Plus.

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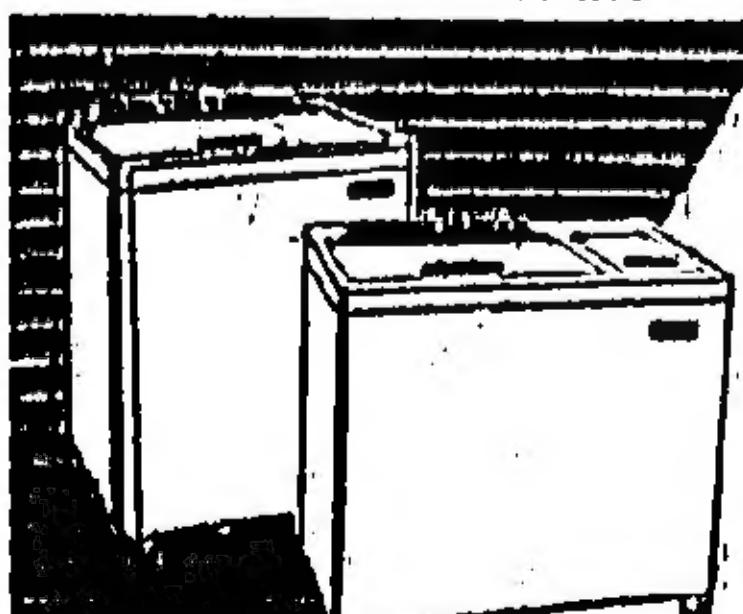
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The fear of Mrs Faraday

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THE SORT OF PROTEST THAT GOES ON IN WALES

I FOUND my eyes becoming more and more hypnotised by the coffee cups laid out waiting as the major, who even had he not been in British khaki was so unmistakably our countryman, talked to me about the "invasion" of the 600 Germans with their own tanks.

We were in the officers' mess of the camp at Castellmawr, where 10 square miles of the remote, beautiful Pembrokeshire coast are given over to ranges for tank training.

It was a fine, long room with at one end traditional pictures of the Queen in a regal blue cloak with Prince Philip in the kilt beside her, and at the other end typical Munnings prints of huntsmen set against the kind of ancestral stone house that has withstood the centuries.

So English

All so very English, I decided, and especially the cups; the white coffee cups that are to be found in Army messes, with the letters ER embossed on them, and the golden crown as a crest above. The regalia that means: For my Queen and country.

"Will the Germans use those?" I asked. "Yes, they will use all our things," Major Evans explained. "They will be treated exactly the same as any other visiting battalion."

As I came out into the ante-room, I saw on the walls the handsome crests of different regiments. It was explained that any battalion that visited them and received the hospitality of the mess left its

by **GODFREY WINN**

mounted crest behind as a souvenir.

"If the Germans follow suit, what will you do?" I asked.

Loyal toast

Major Evans shrugged his shoulders. "I suppose we shall have to put it up," his voice, as a serving soldier, was correctly non-committal. But what, I thought, would the Germans do when the moment came for the loyal toast to be drunk? Would they raise their own glasses silently once more to Der Tag?

Outside, despite the sunshine, the terrain had the inanimate look of all Army camps. Only one thing was different. It caught and held my eye.

'Master race'

A tank was mounted on the verge, dominating the arrival scene. Inscribed on it is one word: WINSTON.

This tank will stand there always now as the reminder of the man who saved civilisation from the jackboots of the Nazis, the tramping hordes of the "master race."

and 18, to make friends with them. After all, we are all God's children. And I think of the German women with our soldiers in their home towns. They can't like that, can they?"

"But surely that's different," I suggested. "Our men have been there as an army of occupation. After all, the Nazis did lose the war. . . . Or did they? Again, sometimes I wonder. And wouldn't it be different too if the Germans were coming to study agriculture or our peaceful customs?"

It was a golden day that I spent motoring about the countryside that they call Little England beyond Wales. I took the ferry from near Tenby, and the road to Fishguard.

I had never been there before. It was difficult to believe that war had ever touched this coastline. But it has. It has, indeed.

An old lady, in her eighties, gave me tea in her sturdy little house, Moon Cynn, overlooking the sweep of the bay. On the mantelpiece was a picture of her husband, in naval officer's uniform.

Bombed

Mrs Florence Faraday had four menfolk when the last war started. In the end they all went.

Her husband, bringing the St Andrew back from Ireland with his youngest son, a naval cadet of 20, on board, had his ship bombed and sunk under him almost in sight of harbour, and of the window where his widow still sits, as though waiting for his return.

The Faradays' eldest son was lost soon afterwards, from exposure at sea, while their middle son, then in the Army, badgered the authorities until they allowed him to change to the R.A.F. He had only one thought left, to avenge his kindred.

"When he came on leave," his mother told me, "he used to change out of uniform so that I would not see his wings and be afraid for him. But in the end it was destined that he should go too. I try not to think about it."

Sorrows

She got up, busying herself with the kettle, turning her face away for a moment. I marvelled at her courage and her composure. She continued quietly: "Life has to go on. I know that. I make myself go on being active. I work for the British Legion and the Women's Institute. I manage. I have many good, kind friends. But this I can't face: the thought of their coming here with their tanks. . . . I hate and dread the idea."

"It is terrible for people like me and there are many of us with similar sorrows to bear. Why don't they understand? Why don't they understand?"

—(London Express Service).

Friends

Mrs Mary Esmond, who runs the shop-cum-post office in Castellmawr, went much further. A little woman full of Welsh fervour and crusading skill, she kept a customer waiting while she harangued me on the theme of Let Bygones be Bygones.

"Mind you, I know about war, was a nurse in a hospital where they brought the wounded from Boulogne. Terribly mutilated they were."

"But if any of the Germans come into my shops, I shall encourage my two sons, aged 16

Tricky

So a return visit by Krushchev to Rome looks a near certainty. And once in Rome as the guest of the Italian Government, would Krushchev have to be escorted by his respects to the Pope or wouldn't he?

It is a very tricky problem indeed and one can readily understand how Pope John acutely misses Tardini's counsel.

Take a glance at some of the issues involved.

If the Pope refuses to see Krushchev and risks it in public only by leaving Rome during the

represented by the Vatican and which the papal authorities did their utmost, behind the scenes, to prevent.

Gruchchi got insulted by Krushchev in Moscow for his pains—but it was a first step and the present Moscow visit by Fanfani and Segni is reportedly taking place in a very different atmosphere.

But if he does agree to see Krushchev, then he may well give the impression of sanctioning the Communist regime, and the faithful who still exist behind the Iron Curtain will despair.

Italy possesses the largest Communist Party of any country. Russia—perhaps one in every four Italians is a Red. If Pope John sits down with Krushchev, won't that tend to give Italian Communism a mighty prestige boost?

But if, after all, Russia's top man does go waddling up that colossal Vatican staircase for one of history's most enthralling confrontations, the Pope might obtain a much better deal for Roman Catholics in such countries as Poland and Hungary. Real concessions concerning greater freedom of worship and the education of Roman Catholic children in Iron Curtain countries.

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Britain's star-packed studios

MORE CASH, MORE FILMS

—AS THE BIG NAMES CROWD IN FROM HOLLYWOOD

THIS is the big boom time in British film studios. More than 20 top world stars will be shooting here before the end of the year. Producers will spend £1,000,000 more than they did last year on filming British.

Hope and Crosby, Holden and Jack Lemmon are all crowding in from Hollywood to join Deborah Kerr, Sir Laurence Olivier, and Sir Alec Guinness in new films.

It is becoming clear that Britain is the new film centre of the world. . . . Britain which was once laughed at because the weather was so doubtful.

Today the weather doesn't matter: it is the talent in the studios that counts.

So William Holden films a Chinese story at Elstree. Hope and Crosby hit "The Road to Hongkong" at Shepperton.

Olivia De Havilland acts an Italian story at Boreham Wood. And there is hot American jazz from Dave Brubeck and Charlie Mingus at Pinewood in "All Night Long," a very contemporary version of a Shakespeare plot.

THE BOOM

Last week there was news of a new British film-making company: Elstree Films.

It is backed by two powerful show business groups—Associated British Studios and the Grade Organisation, a top-flight talent agency.

The significance of the move is that for the first time a big



HAYLEY MILLS FIRST ROMANCE?

studio forms an alliance with an agency that looks after big star names in both this country and the U.S.

Independent producers will be invited to work with the new company and stars will be easier to find and finance here.

Now take a look around the rest of the film studios.

At Pinewood, which is celebrating its 25th anniversary, Hayley Mills is starting a new film with Maurice Chevalier called "The Castaways."

For the first time she will be allowed a mild screen flirtation. She will, hold hands with Michael Anderson Jun.

At 15 Miss Mills has a five-year contract with Walt Disney. Her producers reckon she will be able to have a love affair, grown-up style, in 1964. When she will be 19.

The pressure on studio space at Pinewood is so great with the boom that James Mason and John Mills have gone on location in Tahiti to make "Tara Tahiti," the first British film to be filmed there. Budget: £400,000.

There are lots of big names at Pinewood, of course. Peter Sellers, greying with a

mustache, for "Waltz of the Toreadors" with Margaret Leighton and France's Dany Robin, for instance. But the new names are not forgotten.

EXCITING

In the corridor, I see, there is Richard Harris with Carol Reed, who directed "Saturday Night and Sunday Morning." They are discussing a film, "This Sporting Life," the story of a Rugby League player. There has never before been a film about Rugby League.

In moving round British studios what I find most exciting is the great variety and contrast in subjects. On adjoining stages it Elstree Peter Ustinov and Cliff Richard are working.

Ustinov has an epic subject in period costume, "Billy Budd." Richard is in "The Young Ones," a highly contemporary musical in which the rock singer is also required to dance.

FOUR WEEKS

To make sure he succeeds, the producer has brought "Carmen Jones" choreographer Herbert Ross over from Hollywood.

Richard told me ruefully: "Ross rehearsed me six hours a day for four weeks until my back and arms ached and I could hardly move."

Contrast too in war films. Later this month Darryl Zanuck's £2,000,000 D-Day film "The Longest Day" will be filmed on the Normandy beaches.

—(London Express Service).

Will Krushchev and the lonely Pope come face to face?

Rome. TWO events occurred in Rome last week of the most profound importance for Pope John and for members of the Roman Catholic faith everywhere.

1 The Pope, his normal jovial countenance torn by obvious emotion, attended the solemn funeral mass for one of his closest friends and most trusted and sagacious advisers, 73-year-old Domenico Cardinal Tardini, Vatican Secretary of State.

2 Italian Premier Amintore Fanfani and his Foreign Secretary Antonio Segni took off for Moscow for talks with Krushchev.

The two things are connected. Pope John knew a time of great loneliness when he first succeeded the mortal throne nearly three years ago, but it was quickly mitigated by his

By **RENE MacCOLL**
DAILY EXPRESS COLUMNIST
CURRENTLY IN HONGKONG

appointment of Tardini to the key post of Secretary of State. They had much in common; they were at one time schoolmates; like the Pope, Tardini was plump and jolly, friendly, a warm, and the possessor of a pleasant sense of humour.

Pope John leaned heavily on Tardini for shrewd advice in the diplomatic jungle.

For besides being a spiritual head the Pope is also a sovereign.

Although his State is tiny—about 100 acres—its influence is great. And the Pope maintains diplomatic relations with most of the countries on this side of the Iron Curtain.

The death of Tardini could scarcely have come at a worse moment, for it looks as though Pope John is confronted with a crucial political decision: what to do if Krushchev visits Rome.

In February of last year the Italian President, Giovanni Gronchi, paid a visit to Moscow—a visit which was enough

represented by the Vatican and which the papal authorities did their utmost, behind the scenes, to prevent.

Gruchchi got insulted by Krushchev in Moscow for his pains—but it was a first step and the present Moscow visit by Fanfani and Segni is reportedly taking place in a very different atmosphere.

But if he does agree to see Krushchev, then he may well give the impression of sanctioning the Communist regime, and the faithful who still exist behind the Iron Curtain will despair.

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Britain's robot eyes can spot an orange at 800 miles

BRITAIN'S ballistic missile early warning station WILL be used to track spacecraft, including "ships" on their way to the moon. American scientists have now confirmed that it is to have this secondary role.

The £43 million station—Britain is contributing less than one fifth—is now awaiting installation of its three telescopic radars which stand nearly 80 feet high. These are the "eyes" with which scientists will be able to watch any United Kingdom satellite fired into orbit over the Northern Hemisphere.

The station at Fylingdales Moor, Yorkshire, is due to become operational next year. The other two in use: BMEWS—Ballistic Missile Early Warning System—Greenland and Fylingdales—were already working.



The system is powerful enough to distinguish an orange at 800 miles, and to get clear echoes from the vicinity of the moon. The small radars then needed to turn the satellite radar into a powerful space-vehicle tracker.

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has now been carried out. It cost only about £1,000,000 and America is not charging the Treasury a penny extra for it.

Arrangements are being made to "siphon off" facts about the performance of any spacecraft in which Britain may be interested from the closed-circuit radio links between BMEWS stations and their command centre at Colorado Springs, Colorado. Fighter Command already has a military hook-up.

The unexpected capability of the radar to track objects in deep space has delighted American scientists.

No sawdust

It is no use watching satellites and ships; it is essential to know their exact position, just as they were

wondering what to do about keeping tabs on the moon-vehicles of the future. BMEWS came up with one answer.

Russia, ever-mindful of waste, disapproves of sawdust. So her engineers have been experimenting with knives to cut wood instead of saws.

The knives are vibrated backwards and forwards very rapidly, so that the wood does not bend away from the cut and become deformed. The more frequent the vibration, the thinner the blade required. Often the cuts are smooth enough to make gluing unnecessary.

Unfortunately the technique is not yet good enough for commercial use. A vibrating machine can cut wood, but it cannot cut a perfect square. —(London Express Service).



Mr. Butler has appealed to everyone holding arms or ammunition illegally to hand them to the police.

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MAINLY ABOUT SPORT

By BRIAN GLANVILLE

Cricket's stealthy revolution

London, Aug. 16. We do have revolutions in Britain—though, as Hannen Swaffer pointed out, when they happen nobody notices them. Nobody really seems to have noticed the revolution in the County Cricket Championship. Two factors have brought it about: Football pools and the special registration.

As a result of these, our county is potentially first class. If it hasn't got the players, it can recruit them gradually from elsewhere. Like Glamorgan, Northants and Somerset. If it hasn't got the support—and which county really has?—it can raise its money from private pools.

Certainly gates have declined, and will continue to do so, in the age of the football pool, the fact is almost irrelevant.

New blood

This means—though no one in authority seems to have realised it—that new blood can at long last be brought into the Championship.

Since it is run on the basis of average points, there is no reason why it should not be recommended, nor why the fixture list should become top-heavy. And how pleasant it would be to see a county like Norfolk, pillaged over the years of Parfitt and four Edriches, at last come into its own.

Stale for decades, the Championship at last has the chance to revolutionise itself.

Philosophic giant

Louis Martin, the Jamaican electrician from Derby who's just broken the British mid-heavy weightlifting record, tells me he isn't reading as much poetry as he used to.

"I'm trying to read this 'Personal Philosophy' by Huxley, but it's a bit too deep. I have to take it bit by bit. You see, my trouble is I train for the things the hardest I can, and then

you get nervous. You ask, what's the point, shall I triumph? See what I mean?"

"You put so much work in, you don't want to lose, but you haven't destroyed fear enough to do it. It's a guilt complex. Under theory you should expect; it don't work in practice."

In September, he goes to Vienna to try to regain the world title he won in Warsaw in 1959. Then, Vinsoy, the Titanic Russian heavyweight, whose personal coach follows him about like Mary's little lamb, told Martin he was very powerful, but very poor in his technique.

"Well, I've been trying, in the press, in the Russian style. It's going, like, but it takes ever so long to get into it, you know. When you see these world champions perform, you realise you're way out."

Puzzled Byrne

At White Hart Lane on Saturday, Johnny Byrne led England's attack against the Spurs.

Though his choice at centre-forward puzzled him—he likes the position, but expected to fill Grainger's place at inside-right—I think we shall see him there again in Chile next summer, in the World Cup.

Byrne, 22 years old, all drive and electricity, the first Fourth Division player to be picked for England (he dropped out of the game against Mexico through injury) could have been in Italy by now. Fiorentina wanted him badly, so did Torino's Gigi Peronace, but Crystal Palace, his club, refused, and Byrne surprisingly didn't mind.

French theory

In the recent Rugby Union Test at Wellington, the French were no doubt leading with their chins. If, that is to say, they had taken proper account of the theory of their captain, Francois Moncla.

After the first Test, which France lost following an injury to Guy Boniface, Moncla complained that the team never played well unless they were provoked. New Zealand, where a player reprimanded for biting recently told the referee, "It wasn't as bad as it looked, sir; I didn't have my top teeth in," would seem to be the country to oblige them.

Costly 'rookie'

We talk about the excesses of the soccer transfer market; they are as nothing compared with the "bonus baby auction" in American baseball.

Pittsburgh Pirates have just paid \$175,000 to an 18-year-old shortstop, Bob Bailey; the record to date, Juventus paid just about that sum for John Charles, but Bailey has yet to play a single match in major league baseball.



Mike Griffith (left) and Richard Hutton.

TWO LOOMING THREATS TO OXFORD

Last week's match at Lord's between Southern Schools and the Rest brought into opposition two of the finest boy batsmen in the country, each of them the son of an eminent cricketing father.

Mike Griffith, of Marlborough, is the son of the M.C.C. assistant secretary, S. C. (Bibi) Griffith, the former Sussex and England wicketkeeper. He captained the Southern Schools. Richard Hutton, of Repton, son of Sir Leonard, played for the Rest; a year ago, making his debut at Lord's in the corresponding match, he scored a half-century.

Likes opening

Young Hutton is 18, Griffith 17. Both of them may well be future contemporaries in the Cambridge team. Hutton is booked for Christ's College next October. Griffith is down for his father's college, Pembroke; at the moment he is waiting for the results of his Advance Level. The original plan was that he would go to Cambridge next year, but his achievements this season have left him with little or nothing to conquer in the world of schoolboy sport, and I understand that he may anticipate it by a year.

Sir Leonard Hutton, who thinks his son will become a No. 4 batsman if he's wise, told me: "He likes going in first.

Young boys like to do what their fathers have done. He's much stronger on the on-side than I was. He's a bit of a bowler, too, seamer; and this year, when I played against Repton, he went on to bowl. The second ball he bowled to me was a bouncer, and I didn't think much to it."

"Of course, I'm used to bouncers from Lindwall and Miller, but it's a bit hard from your own son, isn't it?" I didn't say anything, but I gave him a look, and he looked at me with the expression Lindwall and Miller used to give at me."

Mike Griffith, omniscient, is due to set off this month on a Public School hockey tour of South Africa. Earlier this year, he lost an excitingly close Public Schools rackets final.

His improvement this season has surprised even his mentor at Marlborough, Mr John Thompson. "He's always been very quick on his feet," Thompson told me, "but he's much more cheerful now; he's much straighter. We did the work last year; we haven't worried him this year."

Understandably, his fine

21 teams to compete in World Ice Hockey Tournament

New York, Aug. 17.

Twenty-one teams from abroad—including seven from behind the Iron Curtain—are entered in the World Ice Hockey Championships to be held in Colorado Springs next year from March 8 to 18. This was announced today by Bunny Ahorn, president of the Ice Hockey Federation.

"And this time the United States will put together an honest-to-goodness strong team," said Tom Lockhart, president of the Amateur Hockey Association.

The championships, the first ever to be held outside Europe, are being under-

written to the extent of \$400,000 by a Colorado Springs (Broadmoor) hotel, Thayer Tutt, the hotel president, said. Ahorn listed entries to date for the championships as United States, Canada, Sweden, Finland, Norway, Great Britain, West Germany, France, Belgium, Holland, Switzerland, Italy, Austria, Japan, Australia, Czechoslovakia, East Germany, Poland, Hungary, Rumania, Yugoslavia and Russia.

Defending champion

The United States, after winning the Olympic and World Championships in 1960, finished a poor sixth this year in the World Hockey Championships in Prague.

In all, 84 different games will be played at the hotel arena, now rebuilt to seat 5,000, and at the Denver Coliseum, which holds 12,500, and the Denver University arena, holding 5,000.

"We aim to sell a total of 600,000 single game tickets," said Tutt. "We want to make enough money to set up a trust fund for the development of hockey players in the United States."

Canada is the defending champion at the world tournament, which is divided into three classes, with the top eight teams—including Russia, Canada, and the United States—competing for the world title.

Sports survey

By ALL-ROUNDER

"TORTURE" TREATMENT FOR CHARLES. — So keen are Juventus FC to win all the football trophies in Italy this coming season that they have sent their players from Turin to Venice for special "sand" training. The players, including John Charles, spend six hours a day buried in sand up to their necks. They have liquid refreshment through tubes, liquid vitals are pumped into the sand and the whole body gets a tanning up. The big Welshman says: "Afterwards I feel good enough to race Herb Elliott. It is a marvelous idea, but you feel a bit of a clot if someone catches you unawares with just your head sticking out of the sand."

SUGGESTION FOR MANAGERS. — At the end of last season Colchester United manager, Mr Benny Fenton, could not attend a local club dinner to speak and asked centre-forward Martyn King to deputise for him.

King so impressed the members that they have taken out 25 United season tickets. King, by the way, is the only University undergraduate now playing professional football. He was at Cambridge, and has also played for Pegasus. He is a schoolmaster, as well as a goalscorer.

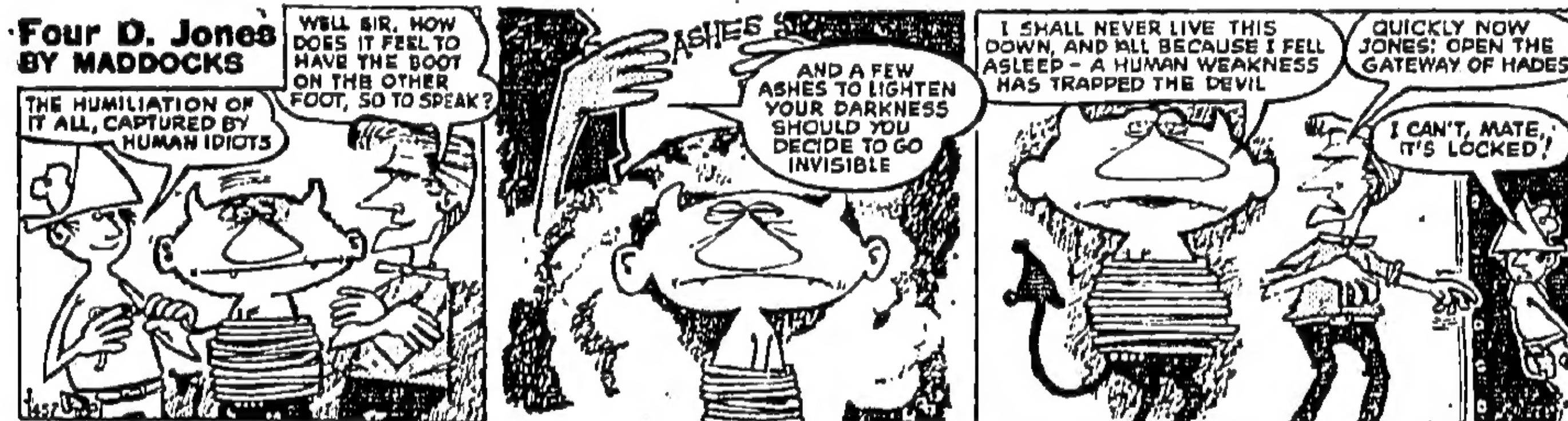
BILLY WRIGHT IN THE NEWS. — Billy Wright is in the news, but it is not the former England and Wolves' captain. This Billy Wright has just returned to his Blackpool home because he says Plymouth Argyle owe him £500 benefit money. He may go into non-League. — Banews Service.

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By LEONARD BARDEN

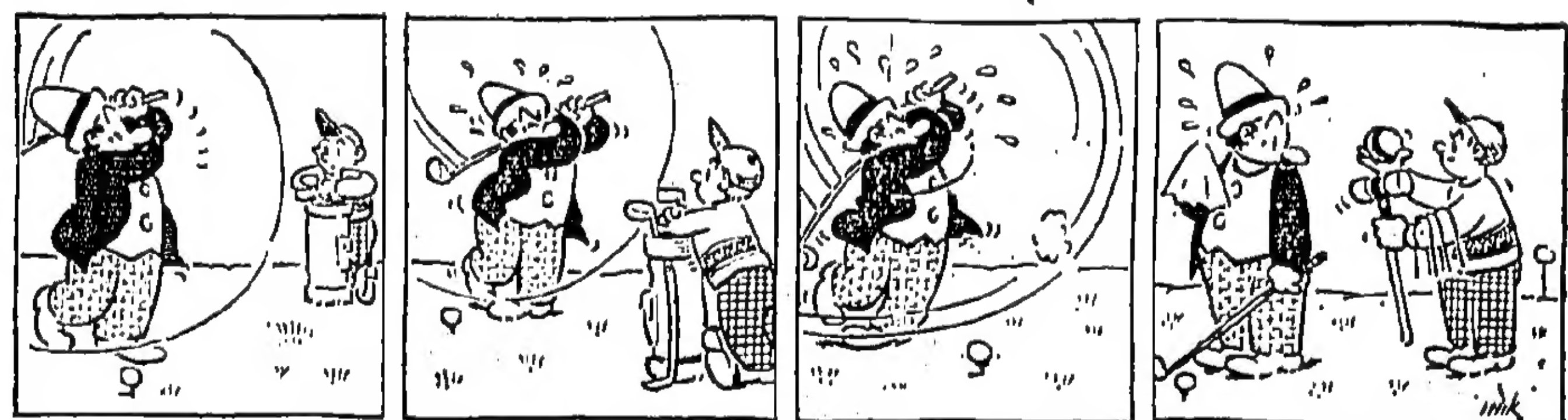
"Never capture the queen with a check. It's always a bad move," winced a Yugoslavian star player Gligoric after this game, which enabled him to tie with his opponent in an international tournament (Gligoric v Ponomarev) 1 P-K4, P-QB4; 2 Kt-KB3, Kt-QB3; 3 P-Q4, PxP; 4 KtxP, Kt-B3; 5 Kt-QB3, P-Q3; 6 B-QB4, P-K3; 7 O-O, B-K2; 8 B-K2, O-O; 9 B-K3, KtxKt; 10 BxKt, B-Q2; 11 Q-K2, B-B3; 12 QR-Q1, P-R4; 13 P-B4, P-K4; 14 PxP, PxP; 15 R-B5, B-B4; 16 B-B2, QR-Q1; 17 R-KB1, R-Q3; 18 R-R1, BxB; 19 QxB, BxP; 20 KtxB, KtxKt; 21 RxBP, Resigns, for it 21... KtxQ ch; 22 R (Bt)xKt dis, ch, and mates. Solution No. 604: 1 Q-B7, RtxQ; 2 P-Kt3/Q1, mate, or 1... R-R3; 2 B-Q3, or 1... K-Kt1; 2 Kt-B8.

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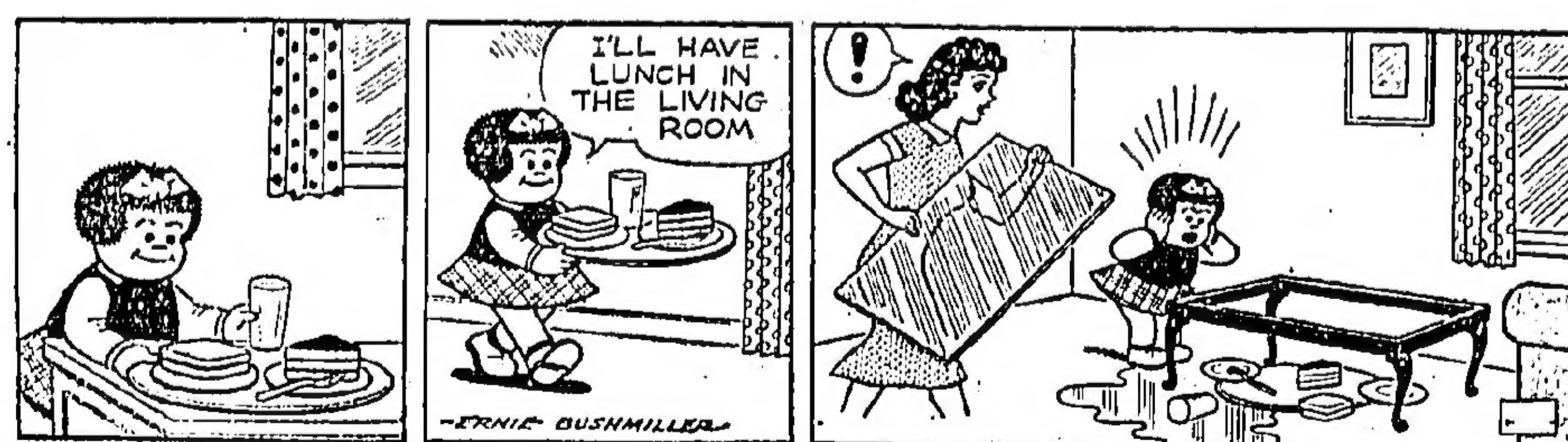
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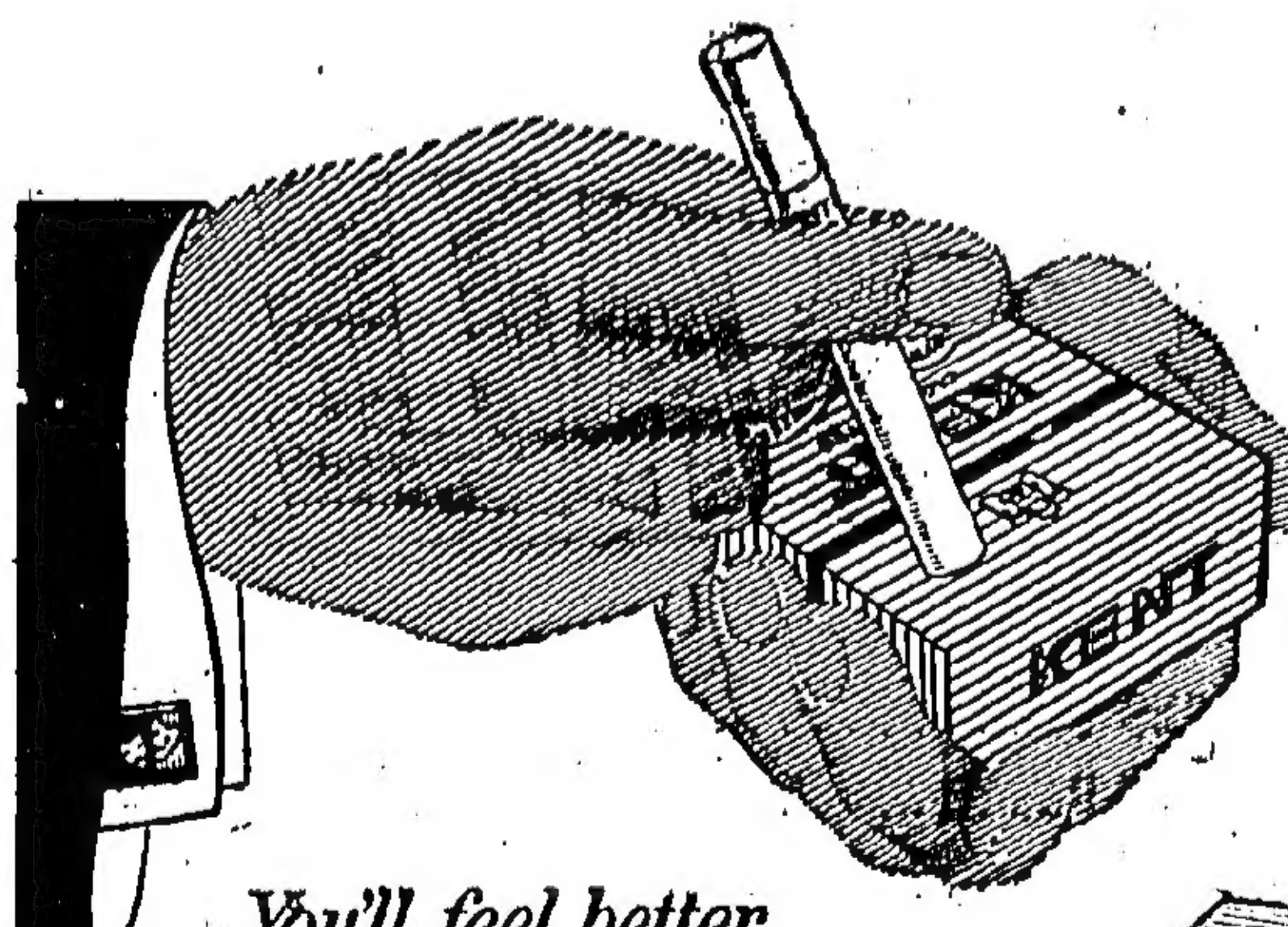
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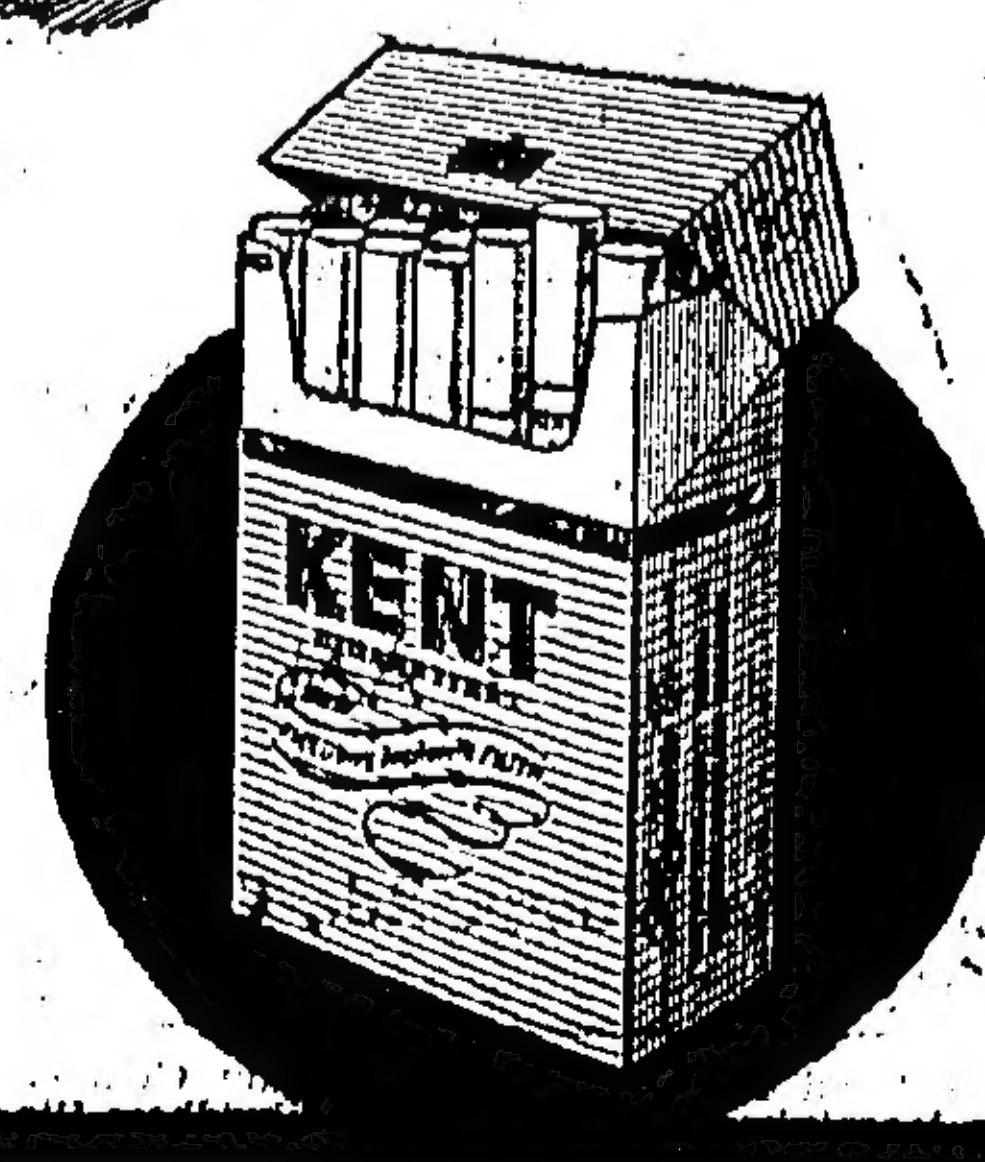
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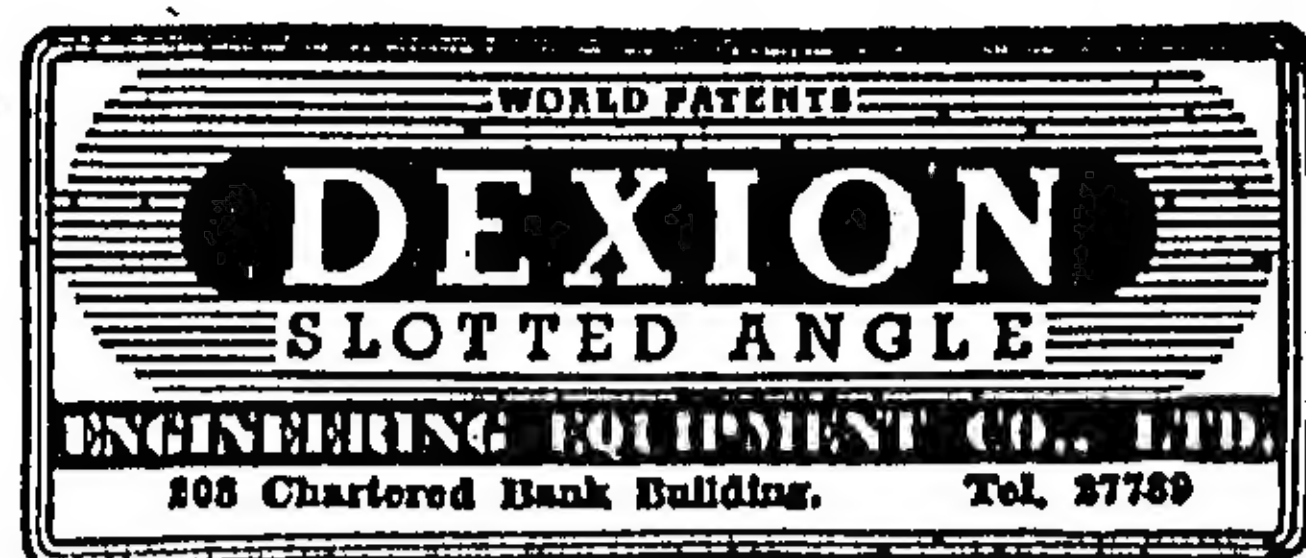


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FINES HIM \$1,000

Bus driver was in a hurry, magistrate says

Wong Hong, a China Motor Bus Company driver found guilty on a summons of dangerous driving causing grievous bodily harm, was fined \$1,000 by Mr I. T. Morris at Causeway Bay Magistracy this morning.

He was given seven days to pay his fine. Wong, of 48 Village Road, Happy Valley, was alleged to have knocked down a six-year-old girl on a zebra crossing in Queen's Road East on the evening of March 6.

One of the girl's legs was amputated as a result of the accident.

In passing sentence, Mr Morris said that there could be no doubt that Wong was driving in a manner dangerous to the public. "In spite of his denial," Mr Morris said, "I am convinced that he saw the pedestrian on the zebra crossing; he was in a hurry at the time to keep up with his timetable, and took a chance. And in failing to stop he was driving in a dangerous manner, and must now be held responsible for the injuries sustained by this young girl."

SAFETY

"His driving," I regret to say, fell short of the high standard necessary in the interests of safety."

Mr Morris pointed out that it was suggested during the course of the trial that the girl suddenly dashed across the road because of oncoming traffic, but there was no evidence to support this, he said.

"However," Mr Morris continued, "I will say that drivers must make every allowance for children who do, and will continue to do, the most unexpected things on the spur of the moment, without thought of the consequences, but they should not be misled or perhaps killed for so doing."

DUTY

Mr Morris went on to say that if drivers when approaching a pedestrian crossing, were unable to see whether anyone was on it by reason of the traffic on

Japanese Consul

Mr Masuo Takashima has been formally recognized as Consul for Japan in Hongkong, according to this morning's Government Gazette.

BENEFITS OF A CENTRAL BRIDGE OR TUNNEL NEGLIGIBLE - WATSON

dear sir

Harbour crossing

I understand that Mr K. A. Watson is giving a talk today entitled "The Bridge—Boon or Bane?" which presupposes that a decision on the type of road link has been made. However, the Engineers' report gives equal prominence to both tunnel and bridge, with their advantages and disadvantages, all of which must be carefully weighed with other factors before a final decision can be made.

Unfortunately, I shall not be in the Colony when Mr Watson gives his talk, but no doubt he will continue to make great play on some of the traffic figures, especially that of 64,000 for the possible Average Daily Traffic (ADT) across the road link in 1976 (23,000 in 1960).

PUNISHMENT

Mr Harold Cairne, for the defence, said that his client who was on the threshold of a new and promising career, had already lost his livelihood and that in itself was a heavy punishment for him.

The dangerous driving, Mr Cairne said, was not of a systematic nature but a spontaneous lapse on the part of the driver.

Mr Cairne said defendant had a wife and a 2-year-old baby to provide for and asked for leniency.

Defendant had four previous minor traffic convictions committed from 1950 to 1958.

Judge M. R. Atkinson prosecuted, and Mr D. B. Gunston held a watching brief on behalf of the injured girl.

The magistrate exercised his discretion by not disqualifying Wong from driving in the future.

The Engineers naturally have designed the facility and the links to the existing network to handle this POSSIBLE traffic, and therefore, the problem is one of absorption by our present roads, and those planned between now and 1976. Whether or not we have a cross harbour link, extensive

new roads are proposed, such as the East West Waterfront road, which will have a capacity of over 6,000 vehicles an hour.

Traffic on reaching the terminals of the link will divide to go its various ways, thereby considerably reducing the number which any particular road has to carry to a few hundred an hour in each direction.

Perhaps comparison of some of the traffic figures obtained during the 1959 Survey will indicate the minor extent of the problem.

ADT in Queen's Road East (Dockyard) 32,000; ADT including the above with Garden Road at Cricket Club junction 77,000; ADT at Rookery roundabout (2 lanes only) 38,000; ADT at Salisbury Road/Nathan Road junction 47,000; ADT at Nathan Road, Mong Kok 41,000; ADT at Waterloo Road/Argyle Street junction 43,000.

Incidentally, it should be appreciated that in many cases quoted above traffic is held up in one direction by red lights or police for a total of many hours out of each day.

The Consultants further estimate that the effect of a cross harbour road link on most of the above junctions will reduce the above ADT figures, as traffic will be diverted to other roads with adequate capacity.

As the above roads can cope with the ADT's quoted without undue congestion, it is apparent that the daily number of crossings in 1976 of 47,000 or higher is in reality not the problem critics would like to make it.

K. B. ALLPORT.

Belilios School to have places for 920 girls

The new Belilios Public School, accommodating 920 girls in one daily session, is to be built in Tin Hau Temple-road, in the Causeway Bay District.

Work will start in a month's time on the formation of the new school site.

The old Belilios School building in Hospital-road, off Causeway, will be demolished to make way for the construction of a new 30-classroom primary school.

Air efficiency

Pilot Officer A. C. Swire has been awarded the Air Efficiency Award.

Says not worth cost, trouble to traffic

The benefits of a central bridge or tunnel would be overwhelmingly outweighed by the disadvantages to traffic and parking, and by the enormous cost, all of which must come out of the pockets of the public, said Mr K. A. Watson, in a talk to the Hongkong Lions Club this afternoon.

Speaking on the subject "The Bridge: Boon or Bane?" Mr Watson said that Dr E. F. Szepepanik, of the Hongkong University after having made a survey at the request of the consulting engineers, had concluded that for goods traffic, the bridge would effect an economic saving of only 8½ per cent, assuming that all vehicles could move freely. As this condition could not be realised in practice, the savings, if any, would be considerably less. If there was little or no advantage to goods traffic, there would be even less for cars, which have much shorter delays.

DOUBTS

He thought that one of the most serious aspects of the bridge scheme was the intention to take over a large part of the cross-harbour passenger traffic, and put it into buses and cars which would have to use our congested roads.

He quoted the opinion of the Town Planning Board which

had recorded its doubts of the wisdom of providing such a vehicular link, saying that as a large number of persons were brought into the City cheaply and efficiently without adding to the already crowded roads, careful thought would have to be given before deciding on a course of action which might result in these advantages being thrown away.

He said: "The most serious effect of the bridge or the tunnel would be on traffic. It was claimed that by 1976, a possible 64,000 journeys a day would be made across the bridge. This would be in addition to the normal traffic, which, if the views of the Road Research Laboratory were accepted would be by this date eight times greater than at present. The traffic jams at the Gascoigne-road—Chatham-road junction, and in Wanchai would be 'the biggest in history'."

Mr Watson also dealt with the question of parking-spaces, say-

ing that if the anticipated figures for bridge traffic materialised, this would create a demand in the central district for more than twice the eventual total of 8,000 spaces which the Town Planning Board said was the maximum that could be provided.

LAND VALUE

In the costs, the true value of the land had been omitted, and no provision had been made for buying out the ferry companies. If these were included, the true cost of the bridge to the public would be over \$500 million and of the tunnel \$600 million. If the advantages to the public were negligible, this was a lot of money to pay to improve the view.

He said that if it were decided not to build either a bridge or a tunnel, the alternative was gradual improvement of cross-harbour services on the lines of the multi-crossing system he advocated.

Eventually it would consist of three vehicle ferries in the centre of the harbour, two fast road links at the ends of the harbour, the Western Approaches and a tunnel at Lyemun, and a railway tunnel between Tsimshatsui and Central Hongkong, linked with a comprehensive underground railway system. The report has shown that the two road links were feasible, and details of a possible tunnel at Lyemun were given.

The combined cost of them both would be about \$300 million less the true cost of the central bridge and \$400 million less than that of the central tunnel.

CONGESTION

These five vehicular routes, spread out through the whole length of the harbour, would disperse traffic instead of concentrating it, and so reduce congestion by enabling the busy centres on the north shore of the island and the Kowloon peninsula to be by-passed.

He concluded by saying that if "Government discarded the idea of a central road link, it could do so safely knowing that a much cheaper, more convenient, more flexible and altogether more logical system was available."

From the Files

25 years AGO

August 1936

An interesting report has been issued for presentation at the first annual general meeting of the Hongkong Travel Association, which will be held in the Urban Council Chamber on Friday, September 4, at 5.15 pm.

The meeting will consider and adopt the report of the Board of Directors for the year ending June 30, 1936; elect two members to the Board of Directors; and discuss any other business.

The report summarises the Association's activities, and gives estimates and recommendations for the second year's programme. It is shown that tourist traffic to the Colony last year increased materially.

A 29-year-old married woman, who was charged on Saturday with having in her possession an automatic pistol and 200 rounds of ammunition at the Luen Cheung Wharf, without a licence from the Inspector General of Police, reappeared before Mr W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy yesterday and was sentenced to a fine of \$1,000, or in default six months' hard labour with an added three months' imprisonment, the sentences to run consecutively.

Det-Sergeant Guild, prosecuting, said that at four o'clock on Friday morning defendant was seen boarding the steamer Po On at the Luen Cheung Wharf, by a female searcher from the Central Police Station, who accosted defendant, and searched her, finding the pistol tied by a stocking around her right leg, while the ammunition was tied around her waist.

During the week, the finals of two Open Bowls competitions were decided. Congratulations are due to A. B. Coates who won the Singles by beating L. A. Gutierrez by 21-10 in the final after an exciting match, and to R. Duncan and S. Randle for winning the Pairs by beating J. E. Noronha and F. M. da Silva by 19-12.

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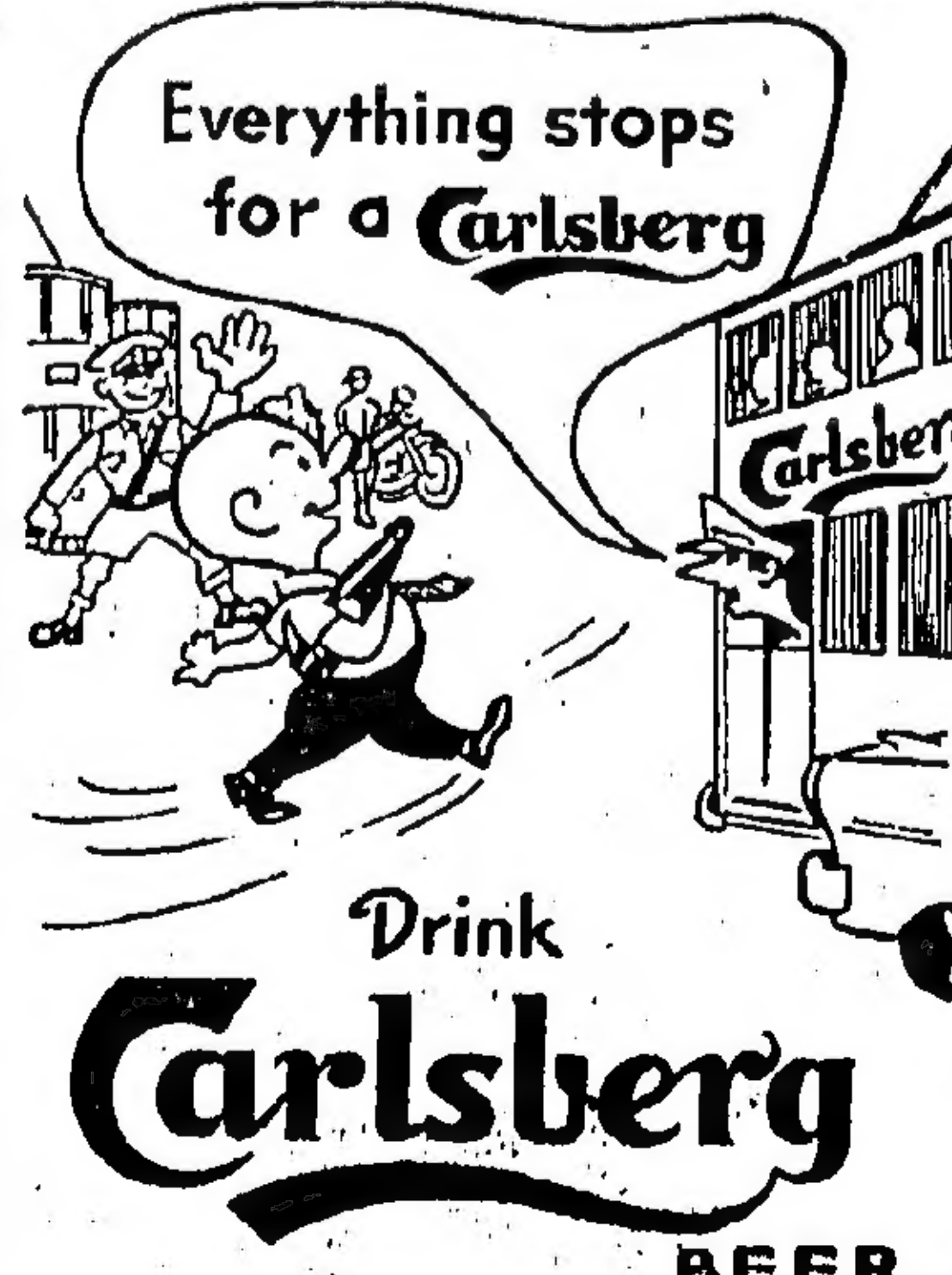
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